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FM AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5997
INFO AMEMBASSY SEOUL
AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE
AMEMBASSY TAIPEI
AMCONSUL HONG KONG

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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: ETRD, MY

SUBJECT: TEXTILES: EXCHANGE OF NOTES

1. VICTOR DE BRUYNE, DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, MINISTRY
OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MTI), HAS APPROACHED EMBASSY IN CONNECTION
WITH EXCHANGE OF NOTES IMPLEMENTING AMENDMENTS TO TEXTILE
AGREEMENT REACHED DURING CONSULTATIONS HELD IN KUALA LUMPUR
APRIL 28-29, 1976. DE BRUYNE STATES THAT MTI FINDS
DIPLOMATIC NOTE EXCHANGE PROCEDURE UNDULY CUMBERSOME (IT
REQUIRES FULL CABINET APPROVAL AND COORDINATION WITH
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND CAN TAKE MONTHS). IN
INTEREST OF SPEEDING UP PROCEDURES, MTI WONDERS IF SIMPLE
EXCHANGE OF LETTERS BETWEEN MINISTER OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY
AND AMBASSADOR WOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR USG PURPOSES IN
MATTERS RELATING TO SIMPLE AMENDMENT OF TEXTILE AGREEMENT.
PLEASE ADVISE.

2. DE BRUYNE ALSO STATED THAT MTI HAS RECENTLY LEARNED THAT CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN (WHICH ARE ISSUED BY MALAYSIAN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE) HAVE BEEN IMPROPERLY USED IN SINGAPORE TO COVER TEXTILE SHIPMENTS FROM TAIWAN, SOUTH KOREA AND HONG KONG DESTINED FOR THE EEC. TO GOM'S KNOWLEDGE, NO RPT NO SHIPMENTS TO U.S. UNDER FALSE CERTIFICATES HAVE OCCURRED. MINISTRY TRADE AND INDUSTRY LOOKING INTO MATTER AND HAS BEEN CONSIDERING ISSUING CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN ITSELF (RATHER

THAN CHAMBERS). DE BRUYNE ASKED IF THIS WOULD CAUSE ANY PROBLEMS FOR U.S. WE INFORMED HIM THAT WE DID NOT SEE ANY PROBLEM. PLEASE ADVISE. UNDERHILL

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